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FM AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: POSSIBLE PAA PROBLEM WITH NEW COMPANIES BILL

1. PAA DIRECTOR SOUTHERN AFRICA (VON AHLEFELD) HAS ALERTED EMBASSY TO PROBLEM WHICH MIGHT ARISE WHEN NEW COMPANIES BILL BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON JANUARY 1. NEW LAW REQUIRES FOREIGN COMPANY BRANCHES TO RETAIN AUDITOR AND SUBMIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS COVERING LOCAL OPERATIONS WHICH, ACCORDING TO VON AHLEFELD, ARE NOT RPT NOT PRACTICAL GIVEN PAA'S WORLDWIDE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM. MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION HAS REJECTED REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION BASED ON ARGUMENT THAT AIRLINE BRANCH OPERATION STEMS FROM CIVAIR BILATERAL IN TURN OVERRIDING DOMESTIC LEGISLATION. PAA PURSUING EXEMPTION POSSIBILITY WITH MIN OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUT HAS RECEIVED NO RPT NO ANSWER AND DEADLINE APPROACHING. VON AHLEFELD STATED PAA UNWILLING TO ORGANIZE SEPARATE LOCAL COMPANY WHICH WOULD BE ANOTHER OUT. HE SAID IN PASSING THAT SAA OPERATIONS IN NEW YORK NOT RPT NOT SUBJECT TO SIMILAR REQUIREMENTS RE LOCAL OPERATION BOOKKEEPING.

2. ACTUAL REQUIREMENTS UNDER NEW LEGISLATION ARE NOT RPT NOT CLEAR. VON AHLEFELD WILL CONSULT WITH LAWYERS AND ACCOUNTANTS
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TO DETERMINE WHETHER PAA COULD MEET REQUIREMENTS UNDER

PRESENT ACCOUNTING SYSTEM.

3. COMMENT: NO RPT NO ACTION REQUESTED OF EMBASSY AT THIS TIME.
HOWEVER, WE ANTICIPATE THAT SHOULD CHECK OF LAW INDICATE
MAJOR REVISIONS OF PAA ACCOUNTING SYSTEM BE NECESSARY AND/OR
EXEMPTION NOT RPT NOT GRANTED, PAA WILL RETURN WITH FORMAL
REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.

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